

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The Specification has been amended as follows:

On page 1 replace the paragraph [004] with:

In the conventional production of formed gypsum products, plaster is mixed with an excess of water to form a slurry of a creamy, pouring, consistency. The slurry may contain setting control agents and other additives such as ~~fibres~~fibers and lightweight aggregates. The slurry is fed onto a continuous belt and as it sets it is constrained into the desired shape. The set formed product contains water, since an excess was used to form the slurry; the formed product must be dried by heating, at considerable cost, since set plaster containing as ~~little~~much as 5% by weight free water has very low strength.

On page 5 replace the paragraph [0020] with:

~~Fibres~~ Fibers may be added to the paste, preferably up to 10% by weight of plaster. Preferred ~~fibres~~fibers included glass and polypropylene fibers.